Remarks

Claims 1-29 are pending. Claims 1, 8, 15, 16, and 23 have been amended. Applicants assert that the claims are in condition for allowance over the cited art.

103 Rejections

Claims 1, 3-5, 7-12, 14-16, 18-20, 22-27, and 29 are rejected under 35 USC 103(a) as being unpatentable over Fletcher (H1,921) in view of Rossi (6,366,609). The remaining claims are rejected based on Fletcher in view of Rossi and in further view of various other references. In rejecting the independent claims, it is asserted that Fletcher discloses all of the elements except for the wireless connection, but it is asserted that Rossi discloses that was known to substitute a cellular modem instead of a PSTN such that it would have been obvious to modify Fletcher to use a wireless connection.

The independent claims now include recitations to setting thresholds for generating a wireless page and including an investigation number in the wireless page where the investigation number is assigned to a description of a predetermined network condition meeting the threshold that has been set for it. Then, upon a response to the page providing the investigation number, the investigation number is entered to thereby display the description. Thus, regardless of whether the page includes any information about what has occurred in the network, by having the investigation number included in the page and assigning the description to the investigation number, the individual receiving the page can then find out what has occurred in the network that caused the page by having the investigation number entered into the computing system so that the description can be displayed.

As a representative example of the claims, claim 1 now recites a distributed system for providing real-time access to a network organized repository of data, ... wherein a user of the computing system has real-time access to the data and the telecommunication computer software programs and any changes made thereto by one or more other users supported by the server, wherein the user is provided options on the computing system to set thresholds for predetermined network conditions and to specify at least one pager number to thereby cause the generation of wireless pages to the at least one pager number upon the threshold being met. Claim 1 further recites wherein the

server is configured to automatically generate a wireless page to the at least one pager number upon an occurrence of a at least one of the predetermined network conditions meeting the threshold, wherein the server includes an investigation number in the wireless page and assigns a description of the occurrence of the at least one of the predetermined network conditions meeting the threshold to the investigation number so that entry of the investigation number to the computing system causes display of the description. Support for this language can be found at pages 28-33 of the specification.

These recitations are not disclosed by the cited references, singly or in combination. Fletcher provides for alarms to be provided from the server to the client. However, Fletcher fails to disclose that a wireless page is generated and also fails to disclose that an investigation number is assigned to a description of the event, where the investigation number is included in the wireless page. Furthermore, there is no motivation to attempt a modification of Fletcher because the NMS client that is receiving the alarm also implements the user interface for interacting with the NMS server, where the client is capable of displaying the description of the event as the alarm, and a fair reading of Fletcher indicates that the alarm is a real-time event notification such that no investigation number look-up is necessary to find an event notification or description of the event. Rossi does not address the issue of network event notifications.

Therefore, for at least these reasons, Applicants assert that claims 1, 8, 15, 16, and 23 are allowable over the cited references, singly or in combination. Dependent claims 2-7, 9-14, 17-22, and 24-29 depend from allowable base claims and are also allowable for at least the same reasons.

Conclusion

Applicants assert that the application including claims 1-29 is in condition for allowance. Applicants request reconsideration in view of the amendments and remarks above and further request that a Notice of Allowability be provided. Should the Examiner have any questions, please contact the undersigned.

No fees are believed due beyond the fee for continued examination and the two month extension of time. However, please charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-3025.

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